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Ms. Susan Roth  
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Dear Ms. Roth:

RE: Soil Vapor Evaluation of Building M-28 Report, Terminal 91 Tank Farm Site:  
*Agreed Order No. DE 98HW-N108*

The Soil Vapor Evaluation (SVE) of Building M-28 report, prepared for the Terminal 91 PLP Group by Pioneer Technologies Corp., was received by the Department of Ecology (Ecology) on September 22, 2004. This report addresses the portion of the Port of Seattle (POS) Terminal-91 facility where RCRA corrective action is being performed pursuant to the Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA) Agreed Order No. DE 98HW-N108.

With this letter, Ecology is approving the SVE report and the work that has been accomplished in building M-28 to seal some of the sumps in the warehouse. The warehouse sump-sealing work was documented within Appendix C of the 'Status Report for First Quarter 2005', received on May 5, 2005.

Please note that Ecology is only acknowledging that no further investigation of the vapor intrusion pathway is required for this building or for other parts of the facility based on the current site use. This does not give a blanket *clearance* of the pathway for the site as a whole, or even for future uses of building M-28, should they be less restricted than current uses.

Since building M-28 is situated directly over the product plume from the former tank farm, it has been considered, potentially, the most susceptible occupied structure to unacceptable indoor air impacts caused by soil vapor intrusion. Furthermore, depending on future site use, additional investigations may be warranted depending on which areas would be developed under the POS North Bay Development Project, and for what purposes. With this letter, therefore, Ecology is stating that no additional vapor intrusion investigations are needed based on what we understand to be the current use of the site.

Thank you for your submittal. If you have any questions concerning this letter please contact me at the Department of Ecology Northwest Regional Office by phone at (425) 649-7280 or by email at [gttri461@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:gttri461@ecy.wa.gov).

Sincerely,

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